

Protective Order Committee
Judicial Conference of Indiana

Minutes
April 23, 2004

The Protective Order Committee met at the Omni North Hotel in Indianapolis on Friday, April 23, 2004 from 12:45 – 4:00 p.m.

1. Members present. Tammy Baitz, George E. Brown, Linda E. Brown, Thomas H. Busch, Stephen M. Jessup, J. Douglas Knight, Robert E. Lybrook, Christina J. Miller, Lynne Spevak, Jerry L. Ummel and John W. Forcum, Chair
2. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz and Tom Jones provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Guest present. Senior Judge Ruth Reichard also attended the meeting.
4. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting on March 26, 2004 were approved.
5. Protection Order Deskbook.
 - a. Committee members reviewed and agreed to various revisions suggested by Senior Judge Ruth Reichard. In addition, they agreed to the following changes: Prepare tabs for 11 chapters; for the four sections of forms: Clerks, Protection Orders, No Contact Orders and Workplace Violence Restraining Orders; and one tab for the appendix; for 16 total tabs. They agreed to separate each Appendix section with a piece of colored paper. The committee members agreed to rename Tab 10, "Firearms." In addition, committee members agreed to capitalize the following words: Court, Clerk, Judge, Petitioner, Respondent, Plaintiff, Defendant and Protection Order.
 - b. Members of the committee agreed to list Ruth Reichard as editor of the Deskbook.
6. Next meeting date. Committee members agreed meet at the following times: Friday, June 25, 2004 from 12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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